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### **COUNTY UNEMPLOYMENT RATES** *May Figures Show Decrease*

NASHVILLE –Tennessee's May unemployment rate of 5.1 percent, up from 5.0 percent over the month, was released on June 19, 2003. County unemployment rates released today showed that 67 county rates decreased, 18 rates increased, and 10 remained the same.

Moore County, unchanged at 2.0 percent over the month, registered the state's lowest county unemployment rate. Marshall County at 12.6 percent, down from 13.2, reported the state's highest jobless rate.

Knox County, at 2.6 percent, up from 2.5 percent in April, registered the lowest metropolitan county unemployment rate. Hamilton County registered 3.2 percent, down from 3.4 percent. Davidson County remained unchanged at 3.6 percent, while Shelby County registered 5.1, up from 4.9 percent over the month.

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**NOTE:** Information will be available on the Internet; enter [http://www.state.tn.us/labor-wfd/labor\\_figures](http://www.state.tn.us/labor-wfd/labor_figures)".

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